CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1679

60th Legislature 2007 Regular Session

Passed by the House April 17, 2007 Yeas 98 Nays 0	CERTIFICATE I, Richard Nafziger, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby
Passed by the Senate April 12, 2007 Yeas 47 Nays 0	the dates hereon set forth.
	Chief Clerk
President of the Senate	
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Consumer of the State of Westington	Secretary of State State of Washington
Governor of the State of Washington	

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AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

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By House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Ericks, Hinkle, Conway, Buri, McDonald, Hurst, Haigh and Simpson; by request of LEOFF Plan 2 Retirement Board)

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to membership on the law enforcement officers' and
- 2 firefighters' retirement system plan 2 board; amending RCW 41.26.715;
- 3 and adding a new section to chapter 41.26 RCW.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 41.26.715 and 2003 c 2 s 4 are each amended to read as 6 follows:
 - (1) An eleven member board of trustees is hereby created.
- 8 (a) <u>Before January 1, 2007, three of the board members shall be</u>
- 9 active law enforcement officers who are participants in the plan.
- 10 Beginning with the first vacancy on or after January 1, 2007, two board
- 11 members shall be active law enforcement officers who are participants
- 12 <u>in the plan and</u> one board member shall be <u>either an active or</u> a retired
- 13 law enforcement officer who is a ((member)) participant of the plan.
- 14 The law enforcement officer board members shall be appointed by the
- 15 governor from a list provided by a recognized statewide council whose
- 16 membership consists exclusively of guilds, associations, and unions
- 17 representing state and local government police officers, deputies, and
- 18 sheriffs and excludes federal law enforcement officers.

- (b) <u>Before January 1, 2007, three of the board members shall be</u> active firefighters who are participants in the plan. Beginning with the first vacancy on or after January 1, 2007, <u>two board members shall be active firefighters who are participants in the plan and one board member shall be either an active or a retired firefighter who is a ((<u>member</u>)) <u>participant</u> of the plan. The firefighter board members shall be appointed by the governor from a list provided by a recognized statewide council, affiliated with an international association representing the interests of firefighters.</u>
 - (c) Three of the board members shall be representatives of employers and shall be appointed by the governor.
 - (d) One board member shall be a member of the house of representatives who is appointed by the governor based on the recommendation of the speaker of the house of representatives.
 - (e) One board member shall be a member of the senate who is appointed by the governor based on the recommendation of the majority leader of the senate.
 - (f) After January 1, 2008, at least one board member must be a retired participant of the law enforcement officers' and firefighters' retirement system plan 2. This member may be appointed under (a) through (e) of this subsection.
 - (2) The initial law enforcement officer and firefighter board members shall serve terms of six, four, and two years, respectively. Thereafter, law enforcement officer and firefighter board members serve terms of six years. ((The remaining board members serve terms of four years.)) The initial employer representative board members shall serve terms of four, five, and six years, respectively. Thereafter, employer representative board members serve terms of four years. The initial legislative board members shall serve terms of five years and six months. Thereafter, legislative board members serve terms of two years, which begin on January 1st of odd-numbered years. Board members may be reappointed to succeeding terms without limitation. Board members shall serve until their successors are appointed and seated.
- 34 (3) In the event of a vacancy on the board, the vacancy shall be 35 filled in the same manner as prescribed for an initial appointment.
- 36 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 41.26 RCW 37 to read as follows:

The legislative board members appointed under RCW 41.26.715 must include one member from the two largest political parties. The speaker of the house of representatives shall request a recommendation from the minority leader of the house of representatives if a member from the opposite party must be recommended for appointment. The majority leader of the senate shall request a recommendation from the minority leader of the senate if a member from the opposite party must be recommended for appointment.

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